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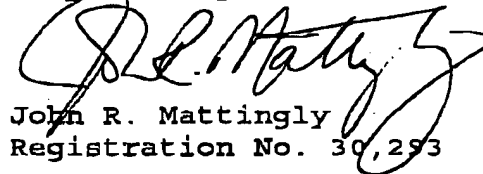
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a two-month Extension of Time be granted in which to respond to the Notice dated May 15, 2001 in the above-identified application.

Our check including the amount of \$390.00 is attached in payment of the appropriate fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment due, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

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